Mr. President: I wish on behalf of the Chair to associate myself fully with all that has been said regarding Generalissimo and Madam Chiang Kai-shek. The world has watched with growing admiration the magnificent leadership of these two great people in China, that vast and populous country, which has suffered so terribly at the hands of the Japanese aggressors; but I believe it is only during the last two months when U. S. A. and the British Commonwealth and India itself have felt the weight and power of the treacherous attack of the Japanese that the world has realised the full stature of their greatness. All-India wishes to pay its tribute to the great leaders who have rejuvenated a great and ancient race and have led them successfully for 4½ long years in what was, on paper, an almost hopeless struggle against a ruthless foe incomparably better equipped with all the deadly apparatus of modern war.

We pay our heartfelt tribute to these great leaders but our tribute should not take the form only of words. We should each one of us determine to assist by all means in our power the combined effort to defeat the treacherous and cruel enemy which brutally attacked China, a giant which appeared to be asleep but which the Generalissimo has succeeded in awakening. If all here in India can rally to the stirring appeals made by the Marshal and his wife, Japan will find herself confronted by half the population of the world, and will learn as one of the Marshal's colleagues said yesterday.—" It is not Japan but the 800 million people of China and India who will decide the fate of Asia ".

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has characterised the Marshal as one of the most remarkable men in the world of today, and I feel that when at some future date the history of this war is written, it may be found that his name will appear at the head of the roll of honour, the name of a man unique in his gifts of leadership and in his incomparable courage.

Resolution was put and carried unanimously

(At this stage the Hon'ble President left the House and the Deputy President took the Chair).

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS—NON-OFFICIAL BILLS

The Cochin Dissolution of Muslim Marriage Bill

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur):* Sir, I beg to move for leave to introduce the Cochin Dissolution of Muslim Marriage Bill.

Mr. V. K. Kutty *(Nominated):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

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